## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RETHE APPLICATION OF

SERIAL NO.: 09/437,111

GROUP: 1761

EXAMINER: C. Sherrer

FILED: November 9, 1999

and Producing Method Thereof TITLE: Sparkling Low Alco

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SIR:

TRANSMITTED HEREWITH IS AN [X] AMENDMENT, [] REPLY, [] AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION IN THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. | | |
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. | |
- $|\mathbf{X}|$ No additional fee is required.

THE FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

CLAIMS	REMAINING AFTER AMENDENT		HIGH.# PREV. PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY RATE ADD'L FEE	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY RATE ADD'L FEE
TOTAL	12	MINUS	20	= ()	X9=8	X18=80
INDEP.	3	MINUS	3	= ()	X43=S	X86=\$0

[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM		+145=8	+29()=8
	TOTAL ADD'L FEE		-()-

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any |X|overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1424. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

Any extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

[ ] Please charge my deposit account No. 20-1424 in the amount of \$

[] A check in the amount \$ -0- is attached.

Date: February 2, 2004

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For: Sparkling Low Alcoholic Beverage Sake And Producing Method Thereof

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an Extension of Time for the period indicated below be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to take the action required in the above-identified application, as reflected by the papers submitted herewith.

	Other than Small Entity	Small Entity	RECEIVED
First Month	\$110.00	\$55.00	MAR 18 2004
Second Month	\$420.00	\$210.00	TC 1700
Third Month	\$950.00	<u>X</u> \$475.00	

X A check in the amount of \$475 is attached hereto. This amount is believed to be correct; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1424. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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On February 2, 2004.

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